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For: CELLULOSE ESTER FILM,

OPTICAL FILM, POLARIZING

PLATE, OPTICAL

COMPENSATION FILM AND LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated December 2, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (claims 1-21), Group II (claims 24-25), and Group III (claims 22-23). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-21 drawn to a film, without traverse.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted.

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